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In re Application of  
William Reid  
Application No. 09/620,350  
Filed: July 20, 2000  
Attorney Docket Number: AUS990912US1

DECISION REFUSING STATUS  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b)

This is in response to the petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b), filed July 20, 2000.

Rule 47 applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. **Failure to respond will result in abandonment of the application.** Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

The above-identified application was filed on July 20, 2000, without an executed oath or declaration, and naming William Reid as the sole inventor.

A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration; (2) an acceptable oath or declaration; (3) the petition fee; (4) a statement of last known address of the non-signing inventor; (5) proof of proprietary interest; and (6) a showing that such action is necessary to preserve the rights of parties or to prevent irreparable damage.

A review of the record shows that a petition has not been filed. 37 CFR 1.47 (b) requires a petition. The declaration of Martha A. Acosta cannot be construed as a petition because it was not properly executed. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.33, amendments and other papers, except for written assertions pursuant to § 1.27(c)(2)(ii) of this part, filed in the application must be signed by:

- (1) A registered attorney or agent of record appointed in compliance with § 1.34(b);
- (2) A registered attorney or agent not of record who acts in a representative capacity under the provisions of § 1.34(a);
- (3) An assignee as provided for under § 3.71(b) of this chapter; or

Ms. Acosta has not been identified as a proper party to execute a petition.

The merits of the "petition" have not been reviewed because the petition has not been filed and properly executed.

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